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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please REPLACE the Abstract originally filed with the enclosed Substitute Abstract attached hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please REPLACE the specification originally filed with the enclosed Substitute Specification.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please REPLACE claims 1-15 in accordance with the following:

1. (ONCE AMENDED) A frequency division multiplex transceiver having the following

features: a baseband block, a transmit path with a local oscillator and a first receive path are connected to one another in such a way that they respectively transmit and receive simultaneously on different frequencies, an auxiliary transmit path having a mixer supplied by the local oscillator is connected to the first receive path and adds to the received signal a signal whose phase is shifted by 180° with respect to the phase of the crosstalk portion in the first receive path at the summation or superposition point and which has the same frequency or the same frequency range as the transmit signal,

the auxiliary transmit path can be driven by the baseband block independently of the first transmit path in such a way that the compensation signal is present at the output of the mixer .

2. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 1, wherein the baseband block senses crosstalk of the transmit path and drives the auxiliary transmit path as a function of the sensing of the crosstalk.

3. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 2, wherein the baseband block senses the amplitude and phase of the crosstalk of the transmit path as a function of the transmit frequency.

4. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 2, wherein, in order to sense the crosstalk of the transmit path, the receive signal and the crosstalk can be fed unfiltered to the baseband block .

5. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 2, wherein, in order to sense the crosstalk of the transmit path, a second receive path is provided which has a further mixer which downmixes the crosstalk on the basis of the transmit frequency currently used.

6. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 1, wherein the baseband block drives the auxiliary transmit path to minimize the sensed crosstalk of the transmit path .

7. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim

1, wherein the baseband block drives the auxiliary transmit path in the frequency domain using a transfer function of the crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit signal.

8. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 1, wherein, in order to drive the auxiliary transmit path, the baseband block carries out a folding calculation of the crosstalk with the transmit signal in the time domain.

9. (ONCE AMENDED) A method for eliminating crosstalk in a frequency division multiplex transceiver having the following features:

a baseband block, a transmit path and a first receive path transmit and receive simultaneously on different frequencies,

an auxiliary transmit path which is connected to the first receive path, adds to the received signal a signal whose phase is shifted by 180° with respect to the phase of the crosstalk portion in the first receive path at the summation or superposition point, the signal having the same frequency or the same frequency range as the transmit signal,

the baseband block drives the auxiliary transmit path to minimize the crosstalk, independently of the transmit path .

10. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the baseband block senses crosstalk of the transmit path and drives the auxiliary transmit path as a function of the sensing of the crosstalk.

11. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the baseband block senses the amplitude and phase of the crosstalk of the transmit path as a function of the transmit frequency.

12. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein, in order to sense the crosstalk of the transmit path, the receive signal and the crosstalk are fed unfiltered to the baseband block .

13. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein, in order to sense the crosstalk of the transmit path, a second receive path is used in which the crosstalk is downmixed on the basis of the transmit frequency currently used.

14. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the baseband block drives the auxiliary transmit path in the frequency domain using a transfer function of the crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit signal.

15. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein, in order to drive the auxiliary transmit path, the baseband block carries out a folding calculation of the crosstalk with the transmit signal in the time domain.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to improve the form of the specification as originally-filed. A substitute specification and marked-up copy of the original specification are enclosed. No new matter is added to these documents.

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND the following claims:

1. (ONCE AMENDED) A frequency division multiplex transceiver having the following features: a baseband block [(18)], a transmit path [(S1)] with a local oscillator [(6)] and a first receive path [(E1)] are connected to one another in such a way that they respectively transmit and receive simultaneously on different frequencies, an auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] having a mixer [(11)] supplied by the local oscillator [(6)] is connected to the first receive path [(E1)] and adds to the received signal [(E1)] a signal whose phase is shifted by 180° with respect to the phase of the crosstalk portion in the first receive path [(E1)] at the summation or superposition point and which has the same frequency or the same frequency range as the transmit signal, the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] can be driven by the baseband block [(18)] independently of the first transmit path [(S1)] in such a way that the compensation signal is present at the output of the mixer [(11)].

2. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 1, [characterized in that]wherein the baseband block [(18)] senses crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)] and drives the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] as a function of the sensing of the crosstalk.

3. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 2, [characterized in that]wherein the baseband block [(18)] senses the amplitude and phase of the crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)] as a function of the transmit frequency.

4. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 2 [or 3], [characterized in that]wherein, in order to sense the crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)], the receive signal and the crosstalk can be fed unfiltered to the baseband block [(18)].

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5. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in claim 2 [or 3], [characterized in that]wherein, in order to sense the crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)], a second receive path [(E2)] is provided which has a further mixer [(12)] which downmixes the crosstalk on the basis of the transmit frequency currently used.

6. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in [one of the preceding claims]claim 1, [characterized in that]wherein the baseband block [(18)] drives the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] to minimize the sensed crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)].

7. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in [one of the preceding claims]claim 1, [characterized in that]wherein the baseband block [(18)] drives the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] in the frequency domain using a transfer function of the crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit signal.

8. (ONCE AMENDED) The frequency division multiplex transceiver as claimed in [one of the preceding claims]claim 1, [characterized in that]wherein, in order to drive the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)], the baseband block [(18)] carries out a folding calculation of the crosstalk with the transmit signal in the time domain.

9. (ONCE AMENDED) A method for eliminating crosstalk in a frequency division multiplex transceiver having the following features:

a baseband block [(18)], a transmit path [(S1)] and a first receive path [(E1)] transmit and receive simultaneously on different frequencies,

an auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] which is connected to the first receive path [(E1)], adds to the received signal [(E1)] a signal whose phase is shifted by 180° with respect to the phase of the crosstalk portion in the first receive path [(E1)] at the summation or superposition point, the signal having the same frequency or the same frequency range as the transmit signal,

the baseband block [(18)] drives the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] to minimize the crosstalk, independently of the transmit path [(S1)].

10. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 9, [characterized in

that]wherein the baseband block [(18)] senses crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)] and drives the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] as a function of the sensing of the crosstalk.

11. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10, [characterized in that]wherein the baseband block [(18)] senses the amplitude and phase of the crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)] as a function of the transmit frequency.

12. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10 [or 11], [characterized in that]wherein, in order to sense the crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)], the receive signal and the crosstalk are fed unfiltered to the baseband block [(18)].

13. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 10 [or 11], [characterized in that]wherein, in order to sense the crosstalk of the transmit path [(S1)], a second receive path [(S2)] is used in which the crosstalk is downmixed [(12)] on the basis of the transmit frequency currently used.

14. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in [one of claims 9 to 13, characterized in that]claim 9, wherein the baseband block [(18)] drives the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)] in the frequency domain using a transfer function of the crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit signal.

15. (ONCE AMENDED) The method as claimed in [one of claims 9 to 14, characterized in that]claim 9, wherein, in order to drive the auxiliary transmit path [(S2)], the baseband block [(18)] carries out a folding calculation of the crosstalk with the transmit signal in the time domain.

Abstract

Crosstalk is eliminated in a transceiver which is operated in a frequency-division-multiplex full duplex mode. The technique is suitable in particular for what is referred to as software-defined telecommunications equipment. The frequency division multiplex transceiver has a baseband block, a transmit path and a receive path which respectively transmit and receive on different frequencies (full duplex mode). Furthermore, an auxiliary transmit path is provided which is connected to the receive path and which adds to the received signal a signal whose phase is shifted by 180° with respect to the phase of the crosstalk portion in the first receive path at the summation or superimposition point and which has the same frequency range as the transmit signal. The auxiliary transmit path is driven here, independently of the first transmit path, by the baseband block so as to minimize the crosstalk sensed by the baseband block.

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Description

Frequency division multiplex transmitter and method for eliminating crosstalk

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The present invention relates to a frequency division multiplex transmitter and to a method for eliminating crosstalk in a frequency division multiplex transmitter as claimed in the preamble of claims 1 and 9.

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When mobile radio devices are constructed, it is necessary to take measures to protect the RF stage against overloading by strong interference signals or other undesired signals. A potential source of interference signals is crosstalk which is generated by the transmit path of a transmitter when it is operated in what is referred to as the full-duplex-frequency division multiplex mode. If the crosstalk generated by the transmit path is very strong in this operating mode, the receive path of the transmitter cannot operate satisfactorily, in particular at relatively weak received signal levels.

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On the other hand, in what is referred to as a software-defined mobile radio device or a similar telecommunications device, the RF stage covers a very wide frequency spectrum (for example in a range from several hundred megahertz as far as the gigahertz range). The reason for this is it is intended that in the future a mobile radio device should, if appropriate, also be capable of covering a plurality of standards (GSM, DECT, UMTS, etc.).

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Furthermore, a software-defined mobile radio device permits the duplex spacing to be set in a variable and flexible way. For this reason, in this case crosstalk from the transmit path is a particularly critical point which needs to be dealt with.

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Theoretically, as far as such elimination of the crosstalk generated by the transmit path is concerned, filter-like duplexers, bandpass filters or stopband filters can be used to reduce the crosstalk in the receive path. These concepts can, of course, also be used in software-defined telecommunications radio devices. However, in the aforesaid technologies the frequency band and the duplex spacing are permanently predefined. On the other hand, this is generally not the case in software-defined devices. This means that, for example, the filters or the duplexers, must be embodied so as to be tunable so that they can also be used with variable frequency bands or duplex spacings. Such tunable filters, duplexers or the like are, however, difficult to implement and are not available at present owing to the requirements made of the size, the weight, the energy consumption and the linearity of mobile radio devices or similar products.

In summary, there are therefore two basic problems which make it more difficult to eliminate the crosstalk:

a) large transmit/receive frequency range which has to be covered in particular by mobile radio devices which operate according to a plurality of standards (DECT, UMTS, GSM), and

b) the frequency dependence (frequency response) of the crosstalk within the transmission bandwidth itself.

A further known technology for reducing stray field influences is the analog elimination of crosstalk in the RF stage. According to this technology, part of the transmit power of the transmit path is branched off as an elimination signal and coupled into the receive path with a phase shift of 180° with respect to the transmit signal and with the same frequency as the transmit signal. To do this, a damping element and a phase shifter are provided. The necessary phase shift of 180° is however virtually impossible to obtain in the case

element and the phase shifter generally have a smooth transmission curve.

5 The object of the present invention has therefore been defined as making available a technique for eliminating crosstalk in frequency division multiplex transmitters which also provides satisfactory results for the case of a frequency dependence (frequency response) of the crosstalk within the transmission bandwidth itself
10 and/or in mobile radio devices which cover a plurality of standards.

20 The object is achieved according to the present invention by means of the features of the independent
15 claims. The dependent claims develop the central idea of the invention in a particularly advantageous fashion.

20 The invention therefore provides a frequency division multiplex transmitter which has a baseband block, a first transmit path and a receive path. The transmit path and the receive path respectively transmit and receive simultaneously on different frequencies (full duplex technology). Furthermore, what is referred to as
25 an auxiliary transmit path is provided which is connected to the receive path and which adds to the received signal a signal whose phase is shifted by 180° with respect to the phase of the transmit signal and which has the same frequency or the same frequency
30 range as the transmit signal. The method therefore comprises what is referred to as an active elimination of crosstalk. According to the present invention, the auxiliary transmit path can be driven by the baseband block independently of the first transmit path.

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The baseband block can sense crosstalk of the first transmit path and then drive the auxiliary transmit path as a function of the sensing of the crosstalk.

The baseband block can in particular sense the amplitude and the phase of the crosstalk of the first transmit path as a function of the transmit frequency.

- 5 In order to sense the crosstalk of the first transmit path, it is possible to provide for the receive signal and the crosstalk to be fed unfiltered to the baseband block.
- 10 In order to sense the crosstalk of the first transmit path, it is possible to provide a second receive path which is independent of the first receive path and has an intermediate frequency converter which downmixes the crosstalk on the basis of the transmit frequency just
- 15 used.

The baseband block can drive the auxiliary transmit path to minimize the sensed crosstalk of the first transmit path.

- 20 The baseband block can drive the auxiliary transmit path in the frequency domain using a transfer function of the crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit signal.

- 25 In the time domain, the baseband block can carry out a convolution calculation of the crosstalk with the transmit signal in order to drive the auxiliary transmit path.

- 30 The present invention also provides a method for eliminating the crosstalk in a frequency division multiplex transmitter. The frequency division multiplex transmitter has a baseband block, a first transmit path and a receive path which respectively transmit and
- 35 receive simultaneously on different frequencies. Furthermore, an auxiliary transmit path is provided which is connected to the receive path and which adds to the received signal a signal whose phase is shifted

by 180° with respect to the phase of the transmit signal and has the same frequency or the same frequency range as the transmit signal, so that an active

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elimination of the crosstalk takes place. The baseband block drives the auxiliary transmit path to minimize the crosstalk, independently of the first transmit path.

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The baseband block can sense crosstalk of the first transmit path and then drive the auxiliary transmit path as a function of the sensing of the crosstalk.

- 10 The baseband block can sense the amplitude and phase of the crosstalk of the first transmit path as a function of the transmit frequency.

- 15 In order to sense the crosstalk of the first transmit path, the receive signal and the superimposed crosstalk can be fed unfiltered to the baseband block.

- 20 In order to sense the crosstalk of the first transmit path, a second receive path can be used in which the crosstalk is downmixed on the basis of the transmit frequency, just used, of the first transmit path.

- 25 The baseband block can drive the auxiliary transmit path in the frequency domain using a transfer function of the crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit signal.

- 30 In order to drive the auxiliary transmit path, the baseband block can carry out a convolution calculation of the crosstalk with the transmit signal in the time domain.

- 35 In what follows, a preferred exemplary embodiment of the invention will now be explained in more detail so that further features, properties and advantages of the present invention become clear.

Here, reference is made to the appended figure which is a schematic view of a block circuit diagram of an

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exemplary embodiment of a frequency division multiplex transmitter according to the invention.

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The figure shows that a total of four transmit and receive paths are provided between a power amplifier 3, or a receiving amplifier with low noise 4, and a baseband block 18, said transmit and receive paths being namely:

- the actual first transmit path S1 which is used to emit signals,
 - the actual first receive path E1 which is used to receive signals,
 - 10 - what is referred to as an auxiliary transmit path S2 which does not have any actual transmitting function but instead serves only to actively eliminate the crosstalk of the first transmit path S1, and
 - a second receive path E2 which, in contrast to the
15 first receive path E1 does not have any actual reception function but rather is merely used to sense the crosstalk which is generated by the first transmit path S1 in the full duplex mode.
- 20 In what follows, the individual paths of the frequency division multiplex transmitter according to the invention illustrated in the figure, which is operated in full duplex mode, will now be explained in detail.
- 25 First, the first transmit path S1 will be explained. Data to be transmitted is sent from the baseband block 18, for example, on a first intermediate frequency TX1, to a digital/analog converter 8. This digital/analog converter 8 then transmits the I and Q component of the
30 data to a converter 7, which is connected to a local oscillator 6 at the frequency TXLO, and thus converts the data which is to be output to the transmit frequency range. The output signal of the converter 7 is transmitted to a power amplifier 3 which is
35 connected to an antenna 1 by means of a duplexer 2. In the event of two different antennas being used for the transmit and receive modes there is, of course, no need for a duplexer 2.

Now, the first receive path E1 will be explained. In the full duplex mode, signals are received by the antenna 1 at the same time as the transmit mode in the first transmit path S1, and are transmitted by means of the duplexer 2 to a receiving amplifier 4 with low noise (LNA - Low Noise Amplifier). The output signal of the receiving amplifier 4 is transmitted to a demultiplexer 10 which is connected to a local oscillator 9 at the receive frequency RXLO. In this way, the received signals are downmixed to an intermediate frequency RX1, the I and Q components of the received signals are sensed and transmitted by means of a first filter 13 to an AD converter 16 which then feeds the data digitized in this way to the baseband block..

The second (auxiliary) transmit path S2 will now be explained. This second auxiliary transmit path S2 is driven independently of the first transmit path S1 of the baseband block 18, i.e. the corresponding baseband signals are transmitted to a DA converter 14 which then feeds the corresponding I'/Q' components at the intermediate frequency TX2 to a multiplexer 11. The multiplexer 11 converts the fed data, i.e. the I'/Q' components to the transmit frequency TXLO which corresponds to that frequency or that frequency band which is currently being used in the first transmit path S1. The baseband block 18 drives in such a way that the phase of the signal in the auxiliary transmit path S2 is precisely 180° with respect to the crosstalk portion in the first receive path E1.

The output signal of the multiplexer 11 of the second transmit path S2 is in turn power-amplified by the amplifier 5 and then fed to a coupler 19 in order to couple it into the first receive path E1 in such an amplified form. The second auxiliary transmit path S2 is driven by the baseband block 18 here in such a way that crosstalk which is generated by the first

transmit path S1 in the full duplex mode is eliminated
or at least subsequently reduced,

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as a result of the coupling of the output signal of the auxiliary transmit path S2 into the first receive path E1 by the coupler 19.

5 The second receive path E2 which, as explained in more detail below, is merely an option and does not necessarily have to be provided, will now be explained. In the second receive path E2, the output signal of the receiving amplifier 4 of the first receive path E1 is
10 fed to the multiplexer 12 which is connected to the transmit local oscillator 6 at the frequency TXLO, and the extracted signal of the first receive path E1 is thus downmixed to an intermediate frequency RX2. It is to be noted that, in addition to the actual received
15 signal, the output signal of the receiving amplifier 4 of the first receive path 1 of course also contains the superimposed crosstalk of the first transmit path S1 in the full duplex mode. The output signal of the demultiplexer 12 of the second receive path E2 is fed
20 via a filter circuit 15 to an A/D converter 17 which in turn supplies the data digitized in this way to the baseband block 18. As already mentioned, the second receive path E2 is merely provided as an option and is used in this case to sense the crosstalk of the first
25 transmit path S1 which is frequency-dependent where possible.

The operation of the full duplex (frequency division multiplex) transmitter illustrated in the figure will
30 now be explained. According to the invention, the following steps are carried out in order to eliminate crosstalk portions:

The invention provides the second transmit path S2
35 which can be driven by the baseband block 18 independently of the first transmit path S1. The output power of this auxiliary transmit path S2, i.e. the

corresponding amplification of the amplifier 5 is significantly smaller in comparison to the output power which is made available by the power amplifier 3 of the actual transmit path S1. The reason for this is that
5 the crosstalk is generally at least 15 dB below the transmit path power if a coupler is used

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or if two antennas are used for separating the transmit and receive signals. For this reason, the energy consumption in the second auxiliary transmit path S2, in particular, of the energy consumption by the auxiliary transmit amplifier 5 is very low in comparison to the energy consumption relating to the actual transmit path S1.

As the next step, the crosstalk in the baseband block 18 is sensed. The phase and amplitude of the crosstalk are thus sensed. A prerequisite for this is the channel selection is made in the baseband. This means that the crosstalk is transmitted to the baseband block 18 superimposed on the actual receive signal without pre-filtering. If, as is the case in the figure, the crosstalk superimposed on the actual receive signal is fed to the baseband block 18 filtered (filter 13) in the first receive path E1, the second receive path E2, which has an additional intermediate frequency circuit (demultiplexer 12) is provided. The crosstalk can thus be sensed separately.

As the next step, after the sensing of the crosstalk, to be more precise, after the sensing of both the phase and the amplitude of the crosstalk, an algorithm is executed in the baseband block 18 in order to set the phase and the amplitude of the output signal of the auxiliary transmit path S2 by means of corresponding driving by the baseband block 18, in such a way that the crosstalk is actively compensated (coupler 19). The auxiliary transmit path S2 is therefore driven by the baseband block 18 in such a way that the crosstalk which is continuously sensed drops below a predetermined acceptable limiting level. As soon as the crosstalk which is continuously sensed in the baseband block 18 has dropped below the aforesaid limiting level, the transmitter, i.e. to be more precise, the receive path E1, can be operated without being

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adversely affected by crosstalk from the transmit path
S1.

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In the event of the crosstalk having a strong frequency dependence within the transmit bandwidth of the transmit path S1, this frequency dependence of the crosstalk is sensed in the baseband block 18, evaluated
5 and, if appropriate, the phase and amplitude of the crosstalk are stored in the baseband block 18 as a function of the frequency within the transmit frequency range. In the event of a strong frequency dependence of the crosstalk within the transmit bandwidth, the
10 auxiliary transmit path S2 is driven using the transfer function of the crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit signal (in the frequency domain). For a software-defined telecommunications radio device which is operated in the time domain, this means that a
15 convolution calculation is carried out in the baseband block 18 in order to do this.

The present invention can therefore actively eliminate crosstalk from the transmit path, i.e. bring it below a
20 specific limiting level, in particular in software-defined telecommunications radio devices, so that the receive path is no longer adversely affected by the crosstalk. In comparison with the prior art, the invention therefore has the further advantage that
25 sideband noise of the transmit oscillator is suppressed.

List of reference symbols

- 1 Antenna
- 2 Duplexer
- 3 Transmitting power amplifier
- 4 Receiving amplifier
- 5 Auxiliary transmitting amplifier
- 6 Local oscillator (transmit path S1)
- 7 Multiplexer
- 8 D/A converter
- 9 Receiving local oscillator
- 10 Demultiplexer
- 11 Multiplexer
- 12 Demultiplexer
- 13 Filter
- 14 D/A converter
- 15 Filter
- 16 A/D converter
- 17 A/D converter
- 18 Baseband block
- 19 Coupler
- S1: First transmit path
- S2: Auxiliary transmit path
- E1: First receive path
- E2: Second receive path

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Patent claims

1. A frequency division multiplex transmitter, having a baseband block (18), a first transmit path (S1) and a receive path (E1) which respectively transmit and receive simultaneously on different frequencies, an auxiliary transmit path (S2) is provided which is connected to the receive path (E1) and which adds to the received signal (E1) a signal whose phase is shifted by 180° with respect to the phase of the transmit signal and which has the same frequency or the same frequency range as the transmit signal, characterized in that the auxiliary transmit path (S2) can be driven by the baseband block (18) independently of the first transmit path (S1).
2. The frequency division multiplex transmitter as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the baseband block (18) senses crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1) and drives the auxiliary transmit path (S2) as a function of the sensing of the crosstalk.
3. The frequency division multiplex transmitter as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the baseband block (18) senses the amplitude and phase of the crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1) as a function of the transmit frequency.
4. The frequency division multiplex transmitter as claimed in claim 2 or 3, characterized in that, in order to sense the crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1), the receive signal and the crosstalk can be fed unfiltered to the baseband block (18).

5. The frequency division multiplex transmitter as claimed in claim 2 or 3, characterized in that, in order to sense the crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1), a second receive path (E2) is provided which has an intermediate frequency converter (12) which downmixes the crosstalk on the basis of the transmit frequency just used.
6. The frequency division multiplex transmitter as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the baseband block (18) drives the auxiliary transmit path (S2) to minimize the sensed crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1).
7. The frequency division multiplex transmitter as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the baseband block (18) drives the auxiliary transmit path (S2) in the frequency domain using a transfer function of the crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit signal.
8. The frequency division multiplex transmitter as claimed in one of the preceding claims, characterized in that, in order to drive the auxiliary transmit path (S2), the baseband block (18) carries out a convolution calculation of the crosstalk with the transmit signal in the time domain.
9. A method for eliminating crosstalk in a frequency division multiplex transmitter which has a baseband block (18) and a first transmit path (S1 and a receive path (E1) which respectively transmit and receive simultaneously on different frequencies, an auxiliary transmit path (S2) being provided which is connected to the receive path (E1)

and which adds to the received signal (E1) a signal whose phase is shifted by 180° with respect to the phase of the transmit signal and which has the same frequency or the same frequency range as the transmit signal, characterized in that the baseband block (18) drives the auxiliary transmit path (S2) to minimize the crosstalk, independently of the first transmit path (S1).

- 10 10. The method as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that the baseband block (18) senses crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1) and drives the auxiliary transmit path (S2) as a function of the sensing of the crosstalk.
- 15 11. The method as claimed in claim 10, characterized in that the baseband block (18) senses the amplitude and phase of the crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1) as a function of the transmit frequency.
- 20 12. The method as claimed in claim 10 or 11, characterized in that, in order to sense the crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1), the receive signal and the crosstalk are fed unfiltered to the baseband block (18).
- 25 13. The method as claimed in claim 10 or 11, characterized in that, in order to sense the crosstalk of the first transmit path (S1), a second receive path (S2) is used in which the crosstalk is downmixed (12) on the basis of the transmit frequency just used.
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14. The method as claimed in one of claims 9 to 13,
characterized in that the baseband block (18)
drives the auxiliary transmit path (S2) in the
frequency domain using a transfer function of the
5 crosstalk multiplied by the inverted transmit
signal.
15. The method as claimed in one of claims 9 to 14,
characterized in that, in order to drive the
10 auxiliary transmit path (S2), the baseband block
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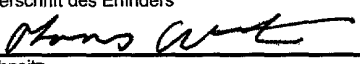
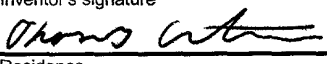
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